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Canada doesn't seem to have even a third rate general to meet Riel's forces. Middleton appears to be a second edition of McClellan.

During the month of April, Postmaster General Vilas appointed 600 postmasters at fourth-class offices. The majority of the appointments were made to fill vacancies.

Mr. Conrad N. Jordon has taken possession of the office of United States treasurer. He handles hundreds of millions of dollars and gives \$160,000 bonds. The city treasurer of Janesville handles about \$50,000, and is compelled to give \$100,000 bonds.

Thirty years ago measures were taken to make elementary education general in Russia, but little progress was made until a few years ago. Now, however, unless war or some other cause should prevent, education in Russia will soon become general.

The president has appointed E. J. Hale of North Carolina, United States consul at Manchester; John Coode, of Virginia, solicitor-general, and W. M. Merrick, of Maryland, associate justice of the supreme court of the District of Columbia. Truly, the south sits very firmly in the saddle.

Keto Field yesterday told a reporter that the Gentiles in Utah are delighted with President Cleveland's position on Mormonism. His opinion that territory is in the hands of traitors, and if the democrats are wise they will "drown Mormonism in its poisonous fangs, reduce it to a religion, taking away from it its harmful political power and its social crimes."

There are in the Danish army 0.90 per cent. of soldiers who can neither read nor write; next follows Sweden, with 1.90 per cent.; Germany with 2.37; Switzerland with 4.0; the Netherlands, with 12.82; France with 14.50; Belgium with 17.48; Austria with 38.90; Italy 47.74; and Hungary with 50.80, while Russia in 1878 headed the list with 70.1 per cent.

The Northwestern Trade Gazette is authority for the statement that the New York publishing houses lost \$35,000 on the revised New Testament. The publishers expected there would be a heavy and constant demand for a considerable length of time. The Gazette says the curiosity died out in a week and the sales dwindled to nothing in three months. A single firm sold at auction 40,000 volumes worth \$1 each at 10 cents.

The latest accounts say there is a slight relaxation in the tension of the relations of Russia and England. Russia appears to be disposed to enter into England's latest proposals to submit to the arbitration of one of the crowded heads of Europe the question whether the convention of March 17, was broken by Russia. It is believed that the King of Denmark will be selected as arbiter in the event of mediation being accepted.

It seems that the Second Adventists will never learn wisdom. The desecration of that school at Corinna, Maine, who had made preparations for the coming of the Lord and the end of the world last Wednesday, have dropped their ascension robes and returned to their usual avocations. Time after time, week-minded people have been deluded into the belief that on some stated day the end of the world would come. They gave away their property, robed themselves in white and earnestly believed that they would be translated to Heaven. Such exponents of this wretched belief as Elder Nickerson, of Maine, should be locked up as a dangerous crank, that innocent people may no longer suffer by his teachings.

It is said that one of the features of the Yale-Harvard race course at New London, Connecticut, will be the absence of the black and buttered old bulk of the war steamer Florida. The vessel has a singular history. It was anchored for many years at the grass-grown navy yard wharf, near the finish, and its decks afforded an extensive view of the college contents. The Florida, which cost the government \$1,800,000, was recently sold at auction for less than \$50,000, and the contractor is stripping her. The steamer made only one trip, after which she was sent to the Brooklyn navy yard, and next was transferred to the New London yard. She was the fastest boat in the government service, but her tremendous engines required so much power that it is said the vessel could not carry coal enough for a trip across the ocean.

Our democratic friends are finding some fault with the speech of Senator Evans, delivered at the Poughkeepsie dinner in New York the other day. In a very good-natured way he reminded the independents and pointedly warned the democrats that the United States senate is still in existence, that it is a republican body, and that the appointment of nonentities to high places, the selection of unpardoned and unrepentant rebels for important public trusts, and the rewarding of spoilsmen and machine men of the stamp of Pulaski, Trumbull, Chase, and Higgins with positions are not to be overlooked, excused, or condoned by the confirming power. It was a very timely speech, and the independents and democrats might profit by heeding Senator Evans's warning.

There is a fruitless discussion now going on, designed to prove that young men spend more money in colleges than they did in former years. This is, probably, the case, because there is more wealth now than formerly, college buildings are larger and more expensive, and the branches of education more numerous and text books, and apparatus more costly. Our clever gentlemen who takes part in the discussion maintain that a richly endowed

college is apt to be more expensive than an undownded college, for which reason he advocates the establishment of undownded colleges. Nevertheless, the fact remains that a young man with little or no means can obtain a collegiate education at a comparatively small expense in any of the colleges which are supposed to be most exclusive and expensive. In fact, such young men are encouraged in every way, and if they have the right influence, they will lose neither caste nor respect by reason of their poverty.

The announcement made in the Washington Dispatch to the effect that the administration would make no removals from office in case no charges had been preferred has already had widespread notice with the effect of stimulating the ardent patriot. Charges of almost every conceivable character are being formularized against these offices and the president's and postmaster general's men are sure to be swelled, even beyond their present bulk. While the administration will make no removals without the preferred charges, it is not likely that the administration will have the desired effect. The administration investigates not only the character of the incumbent, but that of the apprentices also, and it would be well for those who want to get in to see that their own footing is secure before attacking the standing of those whom they want to get out.

The result of the Nebraska contest between cow-boys and settlers was not of such a nature as to encourage men to go long distances to take up the public lands. Some of these had had the audacity to take up some lands upon which a ranchman had been pasture his cattle, when the employer of the latter, a militiaman known as cow-boys, engaged in a pitched battle with the settlers and left four of them dead on the field. This is the only natural outcome of the carelessness or the corruption of the interior department in permitting the cattle-men to fence up the lands and to otherwise, as it is often said, take the consequences.

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